

2 September 1983

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MEMORANDUM FOR: Director, FBIS

THROUGH: Chief, Operations Group

SUBJECT: Monthly Report - Austrian Bureau - August 1983

I. GENERAL

The bureau's sweeping staff turnover--involving four-fifths of the U.S. staff--was completed with new deputy chief [redacted] arrival and the departure of his predecessor, [redacted]. Earlier in the month staff engineer [redacted] arrived and [redacted] departed. [redacted] assumed duties as bureau chief on the first of the month; [redacted] departed two days later. Everyone has moved into permanent quarters except [redacted] who has found an apartment that will be available in mid-September. We are also awaiting the arrival of two sets of standard Drexel furniture, the first phase in the conversion of the bureau to a furnished post.

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II. OPERATIONS

A. Monitorial/Editorial

1. In response to a letter to C/Ops from BBC's [redacted] and discussions in Caversham during [redacted] TDY en route to Vienna, the bureau has taken a wait-and-see position on BBC's increased appetite for press material. In particular, the BBC has indicated a desire to have the bureau process lengthy economic reports now being done by JPRS. Meanwhile, the bureau supplies a modest number of press items that BBC asks to receive after checking our presslist of proposed selections. In a recent four-week period the BBC sent six messages requesting a total of 12 items; this required only putting BBC on dissemination of items we were filing in any case.
2. The bureau is now filing tables of contents and selected articles from the main party journals of each East European country, except that the Yugoslav journal is not yet being received. Analysis Group has provided positive feedback.

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We tried our new State circuit from 6 July to 4 August, but because of an unacceptable level of requests for refiles we reverted to the Autodin circuit for outgoing traffic. The new circuit was plagued by the failure of the clear to send signal to alert teleops when there was a fault on the line.

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Regional technicians sent to the embassy to tackle the problem seem to have succeeded. As a result of the experience, we plan to retain the Autodin circuit for several more weeks to ensure that the State circuit will serve our needs.

III. ADMINISTRATION

A. Personnel

In addition to the U.S. staff turnover, there has also been movement on the non-staff front. The entry on duty of [] brings the telecommunications complement up []. Processing was completed on Hungarian-Romanian monitor recruit [] for an early September EOD. A promising candidate for one of the two Russian monitor positions was tested by PMU/Caversham and interviewed by [] during his TDY. She is now in process. The second Russian position is now being advertised.

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B. Buildings and Grounds

Work by a contractor is noisily proceeding on our basement renovation project. We are drawing up a proposal and plans for moving main radio from the third floor to the basement, having the following objectives: to locate the staff engineer with the primary working areas of the technicians, to relieve the cramped conditions on the upper floors, and to make room for the Russian program. ✓

IV. VISITS

To the bureau:

OMB Examiner Douglas Olin and Don Cox of the Comptroller's office, 2 August

John Mercer, Embassy Belgrade political officer (who oversees our TV project), 18 August

[] former bureau chief on a highly welcome informal visit, 18 August

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From the bureau:

[] German monitor, to Hq 26 September

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Chief, Austrian Bureau

Attachments

cy: Chief, FBIS London Bureau

AUSTRIAN BUREAU PRODUCTION REPORT FOR AUGUS, 1983.I. TOTALS FROM ALL SOURCES:

TOTAL PUBLISHABLE WORDAGE FILED DURING MONTH:	396,290	(532,810)
TOTAL NON-PUBLISHABLE WORDAGE FILED DURING MONTH:	16,030	(18,010)
TOTAL NUMBER OF PUBLISHABLE ITEMS FILED DURING MONTH:	875	(985)

	BROADCASTS	PRESS AGENCIES	PUBLICATIONS
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II. INPUT OF REGULAR COVERAGE:

(minutes of issues per week)	5,790	5,865	296.68
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III. OUTPUT FROM ALL SOURCES:

(publishable words per month)

ALBANIA

Tirana Domestic Service in

Albanian

3,900 (7,880)

Tirana ATA in

English

10,560 (15,350)

Tirana BASHKIMI in

Albanian

0

Tirana DRITA in

Albanian

0

Tirana PUNA in

Albanian

0

Tirana RRUGA E PARTISE in

Albanian

6,200

Tirana ZERI I POPULLIT in

Albanian

2,450

Tirana ZERI I RINISE in

Albanian

0

AUSTRIA

Vienna Domestic Service in

German

1,310

Vienna Domestic Television Service in

German

2,910

Vienna ORF Teletext in

German

3,380

Vienna ARBEITER ZEITUNG in

German

1,520

Vienna DIE PRESSE in

German

4,420

Vienna KURIER in

German

1,910

Vienna NEUE KRONEN ZEITUNG in

German

1,860

Vienna PROFIL in

German

0

Vienna VOLKSSTIMME in

German

190

Vienna WIENER ZEITUNG in

German

2,880

BROADCASTS PRESS AGENCIES PUBLICATIONS

BULGARIA

Sofia Domestic Service in Bulgarian	6,580 (12,380)	
Sofia BTA in English		18,590 (33,000)
Sofia LITERATURE FRONT in Bulgarian		0
Sofia NARODNA ARMIJA in Bulgarian		2,540
Sofia NARODNA MLADZHZH in Bulgarian		980
Sofia OTECHSTVEN FRONT in Bulgarian		0
Sofia RABOTNICHESKO DELO in Bulgarian		13,680
Sofia TRUD in Bulgarian		2,630 (730)
Sofia ZEMEDEL'SKO ZNAME in Bulgarian		0 (1,230)

CHINA

Beijing in Albanian to Albania	0
Beijing in Serbo-Croatian to Yugoslavia	0

CZECHOSLOVAKIA

Prague Domestic Television Service in Czech and Slovak	540
Bratislava Domestic Television Service in Slovak	0
Prague LIDOVA DEMOKRACIE in Czech	0
Prague MLADA FRONTA in Czech	760
Prague NOVA MYSL in Czech and Slovak	6,450
Prague PRACE in Czech	180
Prague RUDE PRAVO in Czech	29,100
Prague TRIBUNA in Czech	5,060
Prague VECERNI PRAHA in Czech	0
Prague ZEMEDEL'SKE NOVINY in Czech	0
Bratislava PRAVDA in Slovak	9,720 (22,460)
Bratislava ROLNICKÉ NOVINY in Slovak	240
Bratislava SMENA in Slovak	0
Bratislava VECERNIK in Slovak	380

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	BROADCASTS	PRESS AGENCIES	PUBLICATIONS
GERMANY (GDR)			
East Berlin BERLINER ZEITUNG in German			680
East Berlin DER MORGEN in German			0
East Berlin DIE EINHEIT in German			750
East Berlin HORIZONT in German			2,950
East Berlin NATIONAL-ZEITUNG in German			650
East Berlin NEUE-ZEIT in German			720
East Berlin NEUES DEUTSCHLAND in German			11,510 (26,220)
HUNGARY			
Budapest Domestic Television Service in Hungarian	0		
Budapest KULPOLITIKA in Hungarian			0
Budapest MAGYAR HIRLAP in Hungarian			3,950 (9,120)
Budapest MAGYAR NEMZET in Hungarian			150
Budapest MAGYARORSZAG in Hungarian			0
Budapest NEPSZABADSAG in Hungarian			11,890 (9,180)
Budapest NEPSZAVA in Hungarian			4,370 (0)
Budapest TARSADALMI SZEMLE in Hungarian			0
ITALY			
Rome ANSA in English		22,600 (27,060)	
POLAND			
Warsaw JEDNOSC in Polish			0
Warsaw POLITYKA in Polish			5,810
Warsaw RZECZYPOSPOLITA in Polish			6,340
Warsaw RZECZYWISTOC in Polish			6,480 (1,200)
Warsaw SLOWO POWSZECHNE in Polish			5,310 (2,170)
Warsaw SZTANDAR MLODYCH in Polish			4,780
Warsaw TRYBUNA LUDU in Polish			40,280 (64,530)
Warsaw ZOLNIERZ WOLNOSCI in Polish			5,210 (1,500)

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	BROADCASTS	PRESS AGENCIES	PUBLICATIONS
Warsaw ZYCIE PARTII in Polish			1,320 (0)
Warsaw ZYCIE WARSZAWY in Polish			10,740
ROMANIA			
Bucharest Domestic Service in Romanian	4,560		
Bucharest AGERPRES in English		26,570 (61,150)	
Bucharest ERA SOCIALISTA in Romanian			900
Bucharest LUMEA in Romanian			0
Bucharest ROMANIA LIBERA in Romanian			50
Bucharest SCINTEIA in Romanian			17,190 (51,720)
UNION OF SOVIET-SOCIALIST REPUBLICS			
Moscow in Albanian to Albania	280		
Moscow in Bulgarian to Bulgaria	0		
Moscow in Macedonian to Yugoslavia	0		
Moscow in Romanian to Romania	0		
Moscow KOMMUNIST in Russian			0
Moscow MIROVAYA EKONOMIKA I MEZHDUNARODNYYE OTNOSHENIYA in Russian			0 (12,120)
Moscow PARIYNAYA ZHIZN in Russian			0
Moscow SSHA in Russian			0
Moscow VOPROSY ISTORII KPSS in Russian			0
Kiev Domestic Service in Ukrainian	3,920 (0)		
Kiev Domestic Service in Russian	0		
Kiev PRAVDA UKRAINY in Russian	2,030 (0)		
Kiev RADYANSKA UKRAINA in Ukrainian	2,090 (0)		
YUGOSLAVIA			
Belgrade Domestic Service in Serbo-Croatian	7,340 (11,270)		
Belgrade Domestic Television Service in Serbo-Croatian	0		
Belgrade INTERNATIONAL Service in Russian	1,290		

	BROADCASTS	PRESS AGENCIES	PUBLICATIONS
YUGOSLAVIA			
Pristina Domestic Service in Albanian	410 (2,470)		
Pristina Domestic Service in Serbo-Croatian	2,470 (60)		
Belgrade TANJUG in English		250 (0)	
Belgrade TANJUG Domestic Service in Serbo-Croatian		580 (2,360)	
Belgrade BORBA in Serbo-Croatian			19,400 (27,080)
Belgrade NARODNA ARMIJA in Serbo-Croatian			3,050
Belgrade NIN in Serbo-Croatian			2,730
Belgrade POLITIKA in Serbo-Croatian			8,490
Ljubljana DELO in Slovene			1,050
Novi Sad DNEVNIK in Serbo-Croatian			0
Pristina RILINDJA in Albanian			0
Skopje NOVA MAKEDONIJA in Macedonian			1,230
Titograd POBJEDA in Serbo-Croatian			0

Note: Figures in parentheses are from preceding month.